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SUBJECT: DUNN HEARINGS - LETTER FROM GENERAL MURTOPO TO CONGRESS-
MAN FRASER

REF : JAKARTA 3334

1. CONTRARY TO EARLIER INFORMATION REPORTED PARA 4 REFTEL, CSIS REP LIM BIAN KIE NOW TELLS US THAT PRESIDENTIAL ASSISTANT ALI MURTOPO DECIDED NOT REPEAT NOT TO CABLE CONGRESSMAN FRASER TO ASK FOR POSTPONEMENT OF HEARINGS ON DUNN CHARGES. MURTOPO HAS INSTEAD TELEXED FOLLOWING LETTER TO INDONESIAN EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON FOR TRANSMITTAL TO CONGRESSMAN FRASER.

2. BEGIN TEXT. "I HAVE JUST LEARNED THAT VERY SHORTLY THE HOUSE COMMITTEE UNDER YOUR CHAIRMANSHIP IS GOING TO HAVE ANOTHER HEARING ON INDONESIA, PARTICULARLY CONCERNING THE SITUATION IN EAST TIMOR, IN CONNECTION WITH A REPORT FROM AN AUSTRALIAN CITIZEN, MR. JAMES DUNN.

3. "IN THIS CONTEXT, I SHOULD LIKE TO DRAW YOUR ATTENTION TO THE FACT THAT FOR SOME TIME INDONESIA HAS REPEATEDLY COME UNDER REVIEW BY NON-INDONESIANS IN YOUR SUB-COMMITTED OF THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS, WHILE THE INDONESIAN SIDE ITSELF, WHICH SO FAR HAS ALWAYS REGARDED THE USA AS ITTS FRIEND, HAS ALWAYS BEEN
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KEPT UNIFORMED ABOUT IT, AT LEAST NOT IN TIME, LET ALONE CONSULTED. THIS, INDEED, IS A DEVELOPMENT THAT HAS CAUSED ME CONSIDERABLE CONCERN.

4. I FEEL CERTAIN, HOWEVER, THAT AS CHAIRMAN OF THE SUB-COMMITTED YOU WILL ACT WISELY, IN THE SENSE THAT YOU WILL NOT BASE YOUR JUDGMENT ENTIRELY ON ONE-SIDED INFORMATION OR ANY

INFORMATION COMING EXCLUSIVELY FROM ONE SIDE WITHOUT DUE REGARD
TO WHAT THE OTHER SIDE MAY HAVE TO SAY ON THE PROBLEM AT ISSUE.

5. "WITH THAT IN VIEW, I WOULD LIKE TO USE THIS OCCASION AGAIN
TO INVITE YOU TO COME AND VISIT INDONESIA IN ORDER TO SEE FOR
YOURSELF HOW HUMAN RIGHTS ARE RESPECTED AND EXERCISED IN THE
COUNTRY. AS I HAVE STATED ON PREVIOUS OCCASIONS, THE REPUBLIC
OF INDONESIA HAS BEEN FOUNDED PRECISELY UPON OUR CONCERN AND
RESPECT FOR BASIC HUMAN RIGHTS.

6. "I WOULD APPRECIATE IT VERY MUCH, IF YOU SHOULD REALLY
CARE TO COME ON A VISIT TO OUR CONTRY, WHICH WILL GIVE YOU
THE OPPORTUNITY NOT ONLY TO SEE FOR YOURSELF THE CONDITIONS
OF THE POLITICAL DETAINEES BUT ALSO TO PAY A VISIT TO EAST
TIMOR.

7. "I AM LOOKING VERY MUCH FORWARD TO HEARING FROM YOU, AND
CERTAINLY TO SEEING YOU IN INDONESIA SOON. MEANWHILE,
PLEASE ACCEPT MY BEST WISHES AND KINDEST REGARDS. YOURS
SINCERLY, ALI MOERTOPO, HONORARY CHAIRMAN."

8. BIAN KIE SUBSEQUENTLY PROVIDED US WITH TEXT OF LETTER
TO CONGRESSMAN WOLFF FROM MURTOPO REPEATING GOI CONCERNS
OVER DUNN HEARINGS AND ASKING IF WOLFF WOULD "GIVE A MORE
BALANCED VIEW ON THE PROBLEM AT ISSUE." MURTOPO ALSO INVITED
CONGRESSMAN WOLFF TO VISIT EAST TIMOR.
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